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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.56, §1.97, §1.98, and MPEP §609, applicant encloses copies of the references listed on the attached Form PTO/SB/08A for consideration by the Examiner.

Cited references Brunner et al. U.S. Patent 4,782,918, Prejean U.S. Patent 5,009,283, and Blennert U.S. Patent 5,518,083 are discussed at pages 2-3 of the specification. These and the other references generally depict known ladder stands with various seating and platform configurations. Applicant respectfully submits that the claims presently on file patently distinguish the present invention from each of the listed references.

The listed references are being cited only in the interests of candor and without any admission that they constitute statutory prior art or contain matter which anticipates the present invention or which would render the same obvious, either singly or in combination, to a person of ordinary skill in the art.

Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

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